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SUBJECT: EXPORT PROMOTION FOR SOLAR ENERGY USE PALERMO CONFERENCE/EXPOSITION.

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DEPARTMENT PASS ERDA, USIA AND FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATION, MILAN PASS TO TRADE CENTER.

SUMMARY: AS PROJECTED REFTELS, INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE/EXPOSITION ON SOLAR ENERGY WILL BE HELD AT PALERMO'S MEDITERRANEAN FAIR FROM MAY 28 TO JUNE 12, 1977. MAJOR ITALIAN FIRMS IN FIELD PLAN PARTICPATE WITH DISPLAYS, CONFERENCE SPEAKERS, ETC. SOLAR ENERGY CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 10-11 AT FAIRGROUNDS. UNCLASSIFIED

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IN ADDITION TO ITALIAN EXPERTS, CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS ALSO PREPARED PAY TRAVEL, OTHER EXPENSES FOR CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS BY TWO U.S. SOLAR ENERGY EXPERTS. THE PRESENCE OF ERDA/BRUSSELS' DR. PURPLE AT USG EXPENSE WOULD STRENGTHEN U.S. PRESENCE. THOUGH WE REALIZE INCONVENIENCE CAUSED BY DATE CHANGES, WE BELIEVE MARKET POTENTIAL, U.S. ROLE IN STIMULATING EVENT AND IMPORTANCE IT NOW ACCORDED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES, MAKE PARTICIPATION BY U.S.

#### FIRMS MOST DESIRABLE.

WE ALSO FEEL ATTENDANCE BY AMBASSADOR GARDNER DURING ONE OR BOTH CONFERENCE DAYS WOULD PROVIDE HIGHLY-VISIBLE EVIDENCE OF OUR COMMITMENT TO WORKING WITH ITALY ON JOINT SOLUTIONS TO SHARED ENERGY PROBLEMS. "END SUMMARY".

- 1. AT URGING OF PROSPECTIVE ITALIAN EXHIBITORS, ORGANIZINGCOM-MITTE HAS NOW DECIDED TO ADVANCE DATE OF PALERMO SOLAR ENERGY CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION TO MAY 28-JUNE 12, 1977, AS PART OF THE 1977 PALERMO MEDITERRANEAN FAIR. PRODUCTS WILL BE DISPLAYED DURING ENTIRE PERIOD, WITH CONFERENCE TO BE HELD ON JUNE 10 AND 11, 1977.
- 2. WE REALIZE THIS LATEST CHANGE IN PLANS MAY MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR U.S. FIRMS TO TAKE PART, BUT URGE EVERY EFFORT TO CONVINCE AT LEAST TWO OR THREE MAJOR FIRMS TO PARTICIPATE IN VIEW OF INTERNATIONAL MARKET POTENTIAL, U.S. ROLE IN STIMULATING EVENT AND IMPORTANCE IT NOW ACCORDED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES, AND BY MAJOR ITALIAN FIRMS WHICH PLAN PARTICIPATE.
- 3. "EXPOSITION": FAIR HAS ASSIGNED A 690 SQUARE METER AREA TO HOUSE THE SOLAR ENERGY EXPOSITION. TWENTY-THREE BOOTHS, (SPECIFICATIONS: 6 METERS WIDE, 5 METERS DEEP, 3.5 METERS HIGH, HALF-ROOF) WILL BE ERECTED IN DISPLAY AREA. PARTICI"PATING CONDITIONS: COST TO PARTICIPANTS FOR BOOTH, ASSISTANCE IN MOUNTING DISPLAYS, MAINTENANCE, ETC. IS APPROX. 25,000 LIRE/PER SQUARE METER OF DISPLAY SPACE. PARTICIPANTS WOULD ALSO BEAR TRANSPORTATION COSTS. GIVEN ITALIAN LARGE TURNOUT, THREE TO FIVE BOOTHS REMAIN FOR USE BY U.S. FIRMS, THOUGH WE BELIEVE NUMBER COULD BE EXPANDED IF NECESSARY.

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- 4. FOLLOWING ITALIAN FIRMS NOW PLAN PARTICIPATE IN EXPOSITION: SOCIETA' ERIMPIANTI, MILAN# SOC. ANSALDO, GENOA# E.N.I. (ITALIAN STATE HYDROCARBON AGENCY), ROME# ENEL (ITALIAN STATE ELECTRIC AGENCY), ROME# MERLONI IGIENICO SANITARI S.P.A., FABRIANO# MONTEDISON S.P.A., MILAN# INDUSTRIE PIRELLI S.P.A., MILAN# RIFLEXTERM PANSOL, S.P.A., OBLIA# O.RF.R. OFFICINE FRATELLI RIELLO S.P.A., LEGNAGO# SANT'ANDREA NOVARA OFFICINE MECCANICHE E FONDERIE S.P.A., NOVARA# INDUSTRIE A. ZANUSSI S.P.A., PORDENONE# SUNLIFE S.P.A. PORDENONE# CTIP SOLAR S.P.A., ROME# GILARDINI S.P.A. (FIAT GROUP), TURIN# CENTRO RICERCHE FIAT, TURIN# LA METALLI INDUSTRIALES.P.A., ROME# LAVORAZIONE LEGHE LEGGERE S.P.A., MILAN# LAMAL S.P.A., MILAN# ALCAN ANGELETTI E CIUCANI ALLUMINIO S.P.A., ORNAGO# FINTERN S.P.A., GRUGLIASCO.
- 5. "CONFERENCE": TENTATIVE CONFERENCE PROGRAM INCLUDES PRESENTA-UNCLASSIFIED

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TIONS BY: ING. SIMONI, ENERGY EXPERT AT THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH: INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS IN SOLAR ENERGY# PROF. GIOGIO BECCALI, PALERMO UNIVERSITY, (WHO PARTICIPATED IN 1975 PALERMO SOLAR ENERGY SEMINAR): SOLAR ENERGY SITUATION IN ITALY# ING. CATTANEO OF ASSITAL: SOLAR ENERGY APPLICATION IN AGRICULTURE (I.E. HOTHOUSE CULTIVATION)# REPRESENTATIVE OF ZANUSSI CORP.# SOLAR ENERGY APPLICATION IN REFRIGERATION# REPRESENTATIVE OF MERONI (ARISTON) CORP: APPLICATION OF SOLAR ENERGY FOR WATER HEATING/POWER PRODUCTION# REPRESENTATIVE OF FIAT: SOLAR ENERGY APPLICATIONS IN AGRICULTURE# REPRESENTATIVE OF L.M.I.: SOLAR ENERGY FOR WATER HEATING/DESALTING.

6. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE IS PREPARED TO INVITE TWO AMERICAN SOLAR ENERGY EXPERTS AT ORGANIZERS' EXPENSE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE. IT HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN DR. SZEGO, A SPEAKER AT THE PALERMO SOLAR ENERGY SEMINAR CITED ABOVE, AND PROF. GEORGE LOF, OF DENVER. PER PALERMO 197, THE CONSULATE HAS WRITTEN TO THESE EXPERTS AND WHILE A REPLY WAS RECEIVED FROM SZEGO SUGGESTING PARTI-

CIPATION BY HIS DEPUTY MR. DAVID W. DOYLE, VICE PRESIDENT OF ITC SOLAR, WE HAVE RECEIVED TO DATE NO REPLY FROM LOF.

### 7. ACTION REQUESTED:

FOR AMEMBASSY ROME: WE BELIEVE ATTENDANCE BY AMBASSADOR GARDNER AT CONFERENCE/EXPOSITION WOULD BE DRAMATIC ILLUSTRATION OF U.S. INTEREST IN DEVELOPING ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES, AND STRONGLY HOPE HE CAN ATTEND. ATTENDANCE BY SCIENCE ATTACHE ALSO STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.

"FOR DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE": 1. IN OUR 197, WE SOLICITED INDICATION FROM DOC AS TO WHAT ASSISTANCE IT COULD PROVIDE TO STIMULATE PARTICIPATION BY U.S. SOLAR ENERGY FIRMS. DATE OF EXPOSITION HAS NOW BEEN ADVANCED TO END OF MAY, CONSEQUENTLY WE URGE DOC TO CONTACT SEIA AND LIKELY INTERESTED FIRMS AND ASK THEM TO INFORM CONSULATE GENERAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF THEY PLAN TO PARTICIPATE.

2. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE NOTICE OF THIS CONFERENCE/EXPOSITION IN NEXT ISSUE OF COMMERCE AMERICA. 3. DOC COLORADO DISTRICT OFFICE REQUESTED TO CONTACT DR. GEORGE O.G. LOF, VICE PRESIDENT, SOLARON UNCLASSIFIED

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CORP., STAPLETON FIELD INDUSTRIAL PARK, 4850 OLIVE STREET, DENVER, COLORADO (303-289-2288), TO ASCERTAIN HIS INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING. "FOR USEC BRUSSELS": WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE KNOWING WHETHER DR. PURPLE CAN ATTEND AT USG EXPENSE# IF HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO ADDRESS SEMINAR, IF SO, SUBJECT HE WOULD ADDRESS. COLLINS

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